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1. WE WELCOME GOI TEAM VISITS MAY 15 REFERENCE (A). HOWEVER, WE SUGGEST GOI CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE OF EXCHANGE OF VISITS SET FORTH IN REFERENCE (B); WITH ONE-MONTH DELAY IN TIME TABLE AS PROPOSED BELOW.

2. MAY 15 TO JUNE 5. TWO IRANIAN TEAMS ARRIVING IN U.S. APPROXIMATELY SAME TIME. (1) ONE TEAM AS SET FORTH IN B, 4A OF REFERENCE (B). THIS GOI TEAM WOULD OBSERVE AND DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES: MOBILE TRAINING CENTERS, FIXED TRAINING CENTERS, VOCATIONAL TRAINING CURRICULA, TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOLS, TECHNICAL TRAINING CURRICULA, AND INSTRUCTOR TRAINING: (2) ANOTHER TEAM AS SET FORTH IN UNCLASSIFIED

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B, 4B OF REFERENCE (B). THIS GOI TEAM WOULD OBSERVE AND

DISCUSS ON-THE-JOB TRAINING, EMPLOYMENT SERVICE, UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH, LABOR STATISTICS, RECRUITMENT OF AMERICAN MANPOWER FOR WORK IN IRAN, AND JOB-SITE TRAINING OF IRANIANS IN THE U.S.

JUNE 16 TO JUNE 30. TWO AMERICAN TEAMS ARRIVING IN IRAN APPROXIMATELY SAME TIME. SEE B, 5A AND B,5B OF REFERENCE (B) FOR NATURE, PURPOSE AND COMPOSITION OF TEAMS; ESSENTIALLY COUNTERPARTS OF THE PREVIOUS IRANIAN TEAM VISITS.

JULY 1 TO JULY 15. ON THE BASIS OF THE ABOVE VISITS AND DISCUSSION THE U.S. TO SUBMIT A DRAFT AGREEMENT TO THE GOI FOR A LONG TERM, COOPERATIVE, INSTITUTION-TO-INSTITUTION PROGRAM OF TECHNICAL COOPERATION COVERING THE SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES SET FORTH IN THE AGREED MINUTES OF THE SECOND SESSION OF THE U.S. - IRAN JOINT COMMISSION, MARCH 3-4, 1975.

JULY 26 AND 27, 1975. MEETING IN TEHRAN OF THE MANPOWER AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION COMMITTEE. THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE MEETING TO BE THE FINAL WORDING AND FORMAL SIGNING OF THE MANPOWER PROGRAM AGREEMENT.

3. THE COST TO THE GOI WILL BE THE SAME AS SET FORTH IN REFERENCE (B); NAMELY, \$175,430 FOR THE TWO IRANIAN TEAM VISITS AND \$244,915 FOR THE TWO AMERICAN TEAM VISITS.

4. DISCUSSION

A. THE ABOVE INCLUDES THE ACTIVITIES TO BE COVERED AS SUGGESTED BY REFERENCE (A), BUT EXPANDS THEM SO AS TO ENCOMPASS ALL THOSE INCLUDED IN THE MANPOWER SEGMENT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION MINUTES, E.G., ADDED ARE SUCH ACTIVITIES AS OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH, TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOLS, AND CENTERS FOR CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT AND INSTRUCTOR TRAINING. WE BELIEVE IT ESSENTIAL FOR IRANIAN EXPERTS TO REVIEW ALL PERTINENT ACTIVITIES BUT LEAVE IT TO THE GOI TO DETERMINE NUMBER, COMPOSITION, UNCLASSIFIED

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GRADE LEVEL, ETC. OF THEIR TEAMS. TWO TEAMS ARE SUGGESTED, FOR ONE WILL, ON THE U.S. END, BE PROGRAMMED BY HEW AND THE OTHER BY THE DOL. BY THE SAME TOKEN, WE WOULD LIKE TO SEND AMERICAN EXPERTS TO IRAN ON FOLLOW-UP VISITS IN SUFFICIENT NUMBERS AND DISCIPLINES SO AS TO PERMIT U.S. FACE-TO-FACE DISCUSSIONS OF ALL THE ACTIVITIES CONCERNED.

B. FROM OUR END IT APPEARS REFERENCE (A) REFERS TO ONLY MINISTRY OF LABOR INTERESTS. I.E., IT DOES NOT COVER THOSE ACTIVITIES OF PRIMARY INTEREST TO THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, FOR EXAMPLE, TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOLS.

C. WE REALIZE THAT THE TIME TABLE SUGGESTED ABOVE WILL NOT PERMIT THE MANPOWER AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION COMMITTEE TO MEET BY JULY 3. EVEN A LATE JULY MEETING WILL REQUIRE RATHER STRICT ADHERENCE TO THE SUGGESTED REVISED TIME TABLE OF THE MUTUAL EXCHANGE OF VISITS.

5. ACTION REQUESTED. PLEASE DISCUSS THE CONTENTS OF THIS MESSAGE WITH GOI AND ASAP TELEGRAPH REACTIONS. IT IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE KNOW WHICH ACTIVITIES SET FORTH IN THE MARCH JOINT COMMISSION MINUTES THE GOI WISHES TO REVIEW IN THE U.S. REFERENCE (A) SEEMS TO COVER SPECIFICALLY ONLY FOUR OF THE 14 ACTIVITIES, NAMELY, EMPLOYMENT SERVICE, UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, LABOR STATISTICS AND "VOCATIONAL TRAINING." FOR PROGRAMMING PURPOSES WE MUST HAVE MORE DETAIL, E.G., ON OBJECTIVES, COMPOSITION OF TEAMS AND FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS. ALSO, FOR PROGRAMMING AND COSTING PURPOSES, WE NEED TO KNOW ENGLISH-LANGUAGE COMPETENCY OF TEAM MEMBERS. NOTE THAT THE COST FIGURES REFLECTED IN ITEM 3 ABOVE INCLUDE INTERPRETERS COSTS.

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